

## **JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.**

Wednesday, March 19, 2008.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Gracious God, we begin today's legislative session with a prayer in which we express our hope and confidence in You and Your sometimes hard to understand ways. We believe that You give meaning and direction to our lives as we struggle to resolve the often-complex issues of the day in a mature and reasoned manner. Help us to be patient and good listeners to the voices of the people who look to us for answers to their needs. Inspire us, as elected leaders, to continue our efforts to strengthen our basic institutions, our family structures and our common human and spiritual values. May our hearts and minds be filled with peace, happiness and courage as we respond to the needs of these political and economic turbulent times.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of the House and their families. Amen.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

### **Resolutions.**

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Vallee of Franklin) congratulating William Thompson on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules, then reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

### **Reports of Committees.**

By Mr. Donato of Medford, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following matters be scheduled for consideration by the House:

House bills

Relative to the safe driver insurance plan (House, No. 1802, changed); and

Relative to certain property in the town of Chilmark (House, No. 4559);

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

By Mr. Bosley of North Adams, for the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 372) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein relative to prohibiting advertising by pharmaceutical companies.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on a message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to establishing and regulating resort

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casinos in the Commonwealth (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4307) [Senators Hart, Montigny, Timilty, Spilka and Tarr and Representatives H. L. Stanley of West Newbury, Nyman of Hanover and Hill of Ipswich dissenting].

By Mr. Wagner of Chicopee, for the committee on Transportation, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1288) of Louanne Fucci for legislation to permit the discharging or boarding of students at certain intersections.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2646) of David Paul Linsky and others relative to providing for an appropriation of a certain sum of money for the construction of sound barriers on a section of Route 9 in the town of Natick.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3470) of John Walsh relative to equipment required on vehicles operated by law enforcement officials and certain other agencies.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3509) of Bradford Hill relative to motor vehicle appeals and hearings.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3552) of Stephen P. LeDuc relative to an investigation and study of the I-495 Interchange on the Turnpike.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3553) of Stephen P. LeDuc for legislation to regulate the establishment of regional transit authorities by cities and towns.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3576) of J. James Marzilli, Jr. relative to the traffic utilization of Route 60 in the town of Arlington and the city of Medford.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3578) of J. James Marzilli, Jr. that the Registry of Motor vehicles be directed to implement an electronic process regulating suspended or revoked motor vehicle licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3579) of J. James Marzilli, Jr. that the Highway Department be required to evaluate highway lighting and determine possible cost savings of replacing such lighting with lower-wattage full cut off fixtures or eliminating such lighting.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3640) of Thomas M. Stanley and others for legislation to require the sale of Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority CharlieCards in all cities and towns serviced by said authority.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3642) of Ellen Story and others relative to the requirements for flashing red signal lamps on school buses.

By the same member, for the same committee, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3921) of James B. Eldridge relative to the inspection of rental trucks in the Commonwealth.

Severally referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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Mr. Donato of Medford, for said committee, reported that the matters be scheduled for consideration by the House; and, under said rule, they were placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question, in each instance, being on acceptance.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,--

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

At a quarter after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Rogeness of Longmeadow (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.